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SUBJECT: DECEMBER 7 SYRIAN MEDIA REPORT AGREEMENT ON COLLECTION
OF HEAVY WEAPONS

1. MEDIA COVERAGE OF LEBANON RELATIVELY LIGHT IN VIEW OF
CONCENTRATION ON PRES. ASAD'S VISIT TO JORDAN. MEDIA
REPORTED THAT "ALL FACTIONS HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE ON
SPECIFIC FORMULA FOR COLLECTING HEAVY WEAPONS AND DEPOSITING
THEM WITH ADF." AL-BAATH ALSO REFERRED TO AL-NAHAR REPORT
THAT PLO HAS INFORMED ADF OF ITS AGREEMENT TO STORE
HEAVY WEAPONS IN ONE LOCATION UNDER SUPERVISION OF JOINT
ADF-PLO COMMITTEE.

2. NEXT STAGE OF POLITICAL PROCESS REPORTEDLY WILL
BE FORMATION OF NEW GOVERNMENT TO BEGIN RECONSTRUCTION.
PRESS NOTED PRES. SARKIS CONTINUED HIS CONSULTATIONS
REGARDING SECURITY ISSUES WITH NUMBER OF LEBANESE
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PERSONALITIES. AS EVIDENCE OF RISING CONFIDENCE IN

LEBANON, PRESS CLAIMED SOME BANKS HAVE ALREADY REOPENED.

3. PRESS CITED AFP REPORT THAT THREE UNIDENTIFIED
MILITARY PLANES RECENTLY OVERFLEW BEIRUT.
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